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P U L P - Album & Tour

After surely one of the most elephantine gestation periods in the history of rock, Pulp finally unveil their debut album for a major label on Island Records on **April 18th**. Entitled **"His 'n' Hers"**, this eagerly-awaited instant classic taps into the heaven, hell and interminable purgatory of 10 years in an open-necked, butterfly collar shirt.

There have been collections (last year's compilation of the three Singles of the Week, "O.U", "Babies" and Razzmatazz") and there have even been bitty albums hinting at what could be ("It" and "Separations") but there hasn't been anything quite like "His 'n' Hers".

The album takes the twisted pop of their recent glittering singles ("Lipgloss" and the current "Do You Remember The First Time?") and juxtaposes it with the weirdest collection of characters this side of a Tom Waits album. Only with Jarvis Cocker the whole mise-en-scene is transposed to Sheffield, North of England.

Titled after a track not even on the album, "His 'n' Hers" has been produced by wunderkind Ed Buller and contains 11 Pulp originals:-

Joy Riders, Lipgloss, Acrylic Afternoons, Have You Seen Her Lately?, Babies, She's A Lady, Happy Endings, Do You Remember The First Time?, Pink Glove, Someone Like The Moon, David's Last Summer.

Immediately following release Pulp will undertake a full UK tour which runs thus:-

April 24 Glasgow, The Garage; 25 Newcastle, Riverside; 26 Leeds, Metropolitan University; 27 Manchester, University; 28 Hull, University; 29 Sheffield, University;
May 2 Wolverhampton, Wulfrun Hall; 3 Leicester, University; 4 Norwich, Waterfront; 5 Cambridge, Junction; 6 London, The Forum.

Meanwhile, the group's self-produced and directed half-hour film "Do You Remember The First Time?" in which the band interview the rich and famous-ish about losing their virginity has been well received by critics following an exclusive showing at London's ICA and is currently touring strange venues around the country pending a probable TV screening.

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